Nursing which she is writing in collaboration with Miss Nutting. The first volume will be ready for publication at an early date.

## VACANCIES IN THE ARMY NURSE CORPS

WE understand that there are several vacancies in the army nurse corps. Nurses who can meet the requirements can be assured of an early appointment.

## DOCTORS TAKE ACTION

WE wish that all medical societies might be moved to pass resolutions such as the following, and that the members might be depended upon to practice the principles so endorsed. This resolution is taken from the *Pennsylvania Medical Journal* and was of June, 1906:

Whereas, Inducements are being widely offered for training nurses in socalled "correspondence schools" and short term "dispensary schools" in both of which systems bedside instruction is lacking; therefore,

Resolved, That the Philadelphia County Medical Society hereby declares that any system of nurse training that disregards residence in a hospital and bed-side instruction is dangerously incomplete, and

Resolved, That members of this society are requested to refrain from endorsing schools which lack bedside instruction, and

Resolved, That any member who has, previously to the adoption of these resolutions, endorsed such schools is requested to revoke such endorsement.

## THE SAN FRANCISCO DISASTER

In our July report on conditions in San Francisco, page 723, the total amount received at that time by the nurses' relief committee was given as \$7,500. This was a misprint, and should have read \$1,500. Since that date, we have received an itemized statement from the nurses' relief committee, giving the total receipts as \$4,158.90, and the disbursements to July 5, as \$1,175.70. As these figures are now out of date, we will postpone the itemized list of donations until our next issue.

Miss Sweeney, who is in charge of the nurses' club house, 8 Steiner Street, reports the rooms as being nearly all furnished. The money which has been furnished for this purpose by the relief committee, of which Dr. Criswell is chairman, is considered as a loan and it is hoped, within a reasonable time, to put the club-house on a paying basis.

Since the San Francisco disaster we have heard much of the

splendid work of the medical department of the army, the citizens' relief committee, the Red Cross, etc., of the great losses sustained by members of the medical profession and the other professions, but we have heard comparatively little, in a public way, of the losses sustained by the nurses, and yet we are told through private sources, that there were no class of people in the city who suffered more greatly than the women who made up the great nursing body of San Francisco. The reason for this to those within the lines is simple enough. The nurses staid with their patients aiding in their removal or in the removal of their property, and giving no thought to their own private belongings, until too late to risk saving even what they might have had with them at a case. We understand, also, that nurses as a class, have received very little relief through the Red Cross, or public channels of any kind, and we know that such aid as they have received has come, we are proud to say, from the members of their own profession throughout the length and breadth of the land.

Money should now be sent to Dr. Helen Parker Criswell, at 8 Steiner Street, San Francisco, Cal.

The belated June number of the Nurses Journal of the Pacific Coast comes as we go to press. It is full of interesting reports relating to the disaster and the work that has followed—and contains the list of donations. The office is now at 4 Steiner Street. With the January issue this Journal becomes a monthly; to State Association members the subscription remains \$1.00 included in the dues; to others \$1.50. This is a splendid advance for the Pacific journal.

Miss Cooke soon leaves for a trip to Spokane and the Coast Cities in the interest of nursing progress on the Pacific Slope. She should receive a cordial welcome.

## THE DETROIT CONVENTION

One of the most important results of the convention of the Associated Alumnæ, was the formation of an inter-state committee, composed of those officials of affiliated state societies who were present, for the purpose of drawing the various state societies into closer union, and of making communication between them simpler—a sort of bureau of information, as it were. Miss Sarah E. Sly, whose address is Birmingham, Mich., was chosen chairman and secretary of this committee. She requests that each state society send her, through its secretary, all possible information relating to its organization, history of legislation, etc. Each one should send her copies of any printed matter now on hand, and any which may be issued from time